

1882—CITY DOCUMENT No. 4.

THIRTIETH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES

OF THE

FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

OF THE

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD.

NEW BEDFORD:

E. ANTHONY & SONS, CITY PRINTERS.

1882.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN,

Jan. 5, 1882.

Received and ordered printed in the City Documents,
and sent down for concurrence.

D. B. LEONARD, City Clerk.

IN COMMON COUNCIL,

Jan. 5, 1882.

Concurred.

G. B. WRIGHT, Clerk.

REPORT.

To the City Council of the City of New Bedford:

The Trustees of the Free Public Library, in presenting their thirtieth annual Report, congratulate themselves and the public on the continued success of the institution under their charge, as indicated by the increased number of visitors, and also by the greater number of books taken from it.

This increased and increasing interest taken by our citizens in this *their* library is very gratifying.

The whole number of books taken during the year has been seventy-six thousand one hundred sixty-seven.

Daily number of volumes delivered, two hundred forty-eight.

Total number of cards issued, eighteen thousand seven hundred eighty-three; increase over last year, six hundred thirty-seven.

Volumes added during the year by purchase, one thousand five hundred five; by gifts, one hundred sixty-nine books, four hundred eighty-two pamphlets, one hundred sixty-three newspapers.

Number of newspapers on the stand, thirteen.

Number of periodicals on the tables, one hundred and twenty-one.

Total number of books in the library, forty-two thousand five hundred.

Volumes worn out and rejected, one hundred and two.

Volumes bound, one hundred thirty-three.

Volumes rebound, two hundred forty-eight.

Number of books covered, fifty-three.

Postals sent for books overdue, one hundred fifteen.

There has been an increase in the number of books taken, but not so great proportionately as in former years.

In the character of the books delivered there has been little change, but the use of books for reference in the library has largely increased.

BOOKS ADDED.

Among the books received by purchase are the following: Herpetology of U. S. Exploring Expedition; Schlie-
mann's Ilios; Memorial History of Boston; Hamersly's
Naval Encyclopædia; Atlas of New Bedford; Lamb's
History of New York; Publications of the Early English
Text Society; Skene's Celtic Scotland; Talmudic Miscel-
lany; Wheeler's India, vol. 4; George's Progress and
Poverty; Reed's Japan; Bagehot's Biographical Studies;
Lodge's English Colonies; Rawlinson's Egypt; Freeman's
Historical Geography of Europe; Sibley's Harvard Gradu-
ates, vol. 2; Metric Chart and Works on the Metric Sys-
tem; Thomson's Central African Lakes; Hardy's Qua-
ternions; Symond's Renaissance in Italy; Andre's Mining
Machinery; Simm's Tunnelling; Du Chaillu's Land of
the Midnight Sun; and 270 vols. of local history and
genealogy.

And by gift: Suffolk Deeds; 250th Anniversary of
the Settlement of Boston; Reports of the Boston Record
Commissioners; Meteorological Journal, kept by John
Howland of New Bedford, 1828-31, in ms.; Capt. James
A. Crowell's Private Journal of Whaling Voyages in ships
Napoleon and Arnolda, 1855-63, in ms.; also volumes
from the New Bedford Book Club, S. Griffiths Morgan,
S. Hutchinson, Oliver Prescott, and others.

In the appendix will be found the financial statement, list of books and pamphlets presented, and a list of periodicals currently received.

We must again call your attention to the necessity for increased accommodation for our books. All available space that the room affords is now occupied, and we have several hundred volumes that we cannot locate, including the larger portion of the reviews and magazines that we have taken since 1872. We have no space on the walls for posting lists of new books and notes for readers. Our reading desks are often overcrowded, and it is utterly impossible, in our present crowded condition, to meet the full wants of the public, and to extend the usefulness of the library.

The condition of the shelves and reading-room is not what it should be.

The present janitor has charge of the whole building, and of several of the offices in City Hall. His duties are such that it is impossible for him to do the work in our room that is absolutely necessary for the preservation of the library property, and the accommodation of the public. It therefore seems to us that the time has fully arrived when we should have a janitor qualified for the place, and who should give his entire time to the requirements of the library.

Submitted in behalf of the Trustees.

GEORGE WILSON,

President of the Board.

APPENDIX.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT CONCERNING THE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR 1881.

STATEMENT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

1881.		
Jan. 1st.	Cash on hand,	\$202.13
	Receipts from books lost,	7.40
	Duplicates sold, and paper stock,	1.00
	Bills repaid,	.80
	Fines,	236.15
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		\$447.48
	Paid for Books,	\$42.33
	Expressage, freight, jobbing,	72.60
	Stationery,	15.75
	P. O. box, and postage,	21.87
	Binding and paper cutting,	2.12
	Printing and advertising,	47.55
1882.	Incidentals,	37.74
Jan. 1st.	Balance in hands of Librarian,	207.52
		\$447.48

FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY ACCOUNT.

1881.		
Jan. 1st.	Annual appropriation,	\$4,000.00
	Bills approved January,	\$281.65
	February,	328.82
	March,	296.49
	April,	268.73
	May,	277.02
	June,	310.48
	July,	382.58
	August,	283.73
	September,	318.73

October,	268.73	
November,	283.23	
December,	317.31	\$3,617.50
Transferred to incidentals,		382.50
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		\$4,000.00

TRUST FUND ACCOUNT.

1881.

Jan. 1st. Balance on hand :		
Sylvia Ann Howland Fund,		\$11,963.00
George Howland Jr. Fund,		264.78
Charles W. Morgan Fund,		336.74
James B. Congdon Fund,		117.42
Oliver Crocker Fund,		124.50
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		\$12,806.44

SYLVIA ANN HOWLAND FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY FUND.

1881.

Jan. 1st. Unexpended balance of income,	\$11,963.00	
June 1st. Six months' interest,	1,500.00	
Dec. 31st. Six months' interest,	1,500.00	
By duplicate bill,	6.43	\$14,969.43

Bills approved, (for books, periodicals and binding,) viz. :

January audit,	\$379.35	
February "	111.10	
March "	369.90	
April "	213.19	
May "	156.79	
June "	152.78	
July "	205.83	
August "	178.26	
September "	122.07	
October "	211.36	
November "	169.29	
December "	313.53	\$2,583.45
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		\$12,385.98

The detailed statement of the expenditure from the income of this fund is as follows :

New England Subscription Agency,	\$214.52
James M. Lawton, Jr.,	413.86
S. Hutchinson,	370.49
National Subscription Agency,	48.50

David G. Francis,	12.38
D. L. Guernsey,	7.50
Little, Brown & Co.,	174.02
Mercury Publishing Co.,	8.00
Mining Record,	4.00
Massachusetts Historical Society,	5.50
Carl Schoenhof,	26.68
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.,	2.00
Joseph McDonough,	11.25
George H. Walker & Co.,	34.00
L. R. Hamersly & Co.,	12.00
J. W. Bouton,	21.60
J. R. Osgood & Co.,	74.75
F. Leypoldt,	9.00
E. Whitefield,	4.50
John D. Parsons, Jr.,	18.00
American Chemical Journal,	9.00
B. S. Gildersleeve,	6.00
John Allyn,	331.50
New England Historical Genealogical Society,	2.47
Sereno Watson,	5.00
George E. Littlefield,	97.92
Eben P. Raymond,	3.00
E. Anthony & Sons,	6.00
A. H. Roffe & Co.,	18.00
Edwin Dews,	201.50
Moses King,	6.00
George M. Elliot,	20.50
Boston Society of Natural History,	10.00
Newport Historical Publishing Co.,	4.00
Essex Institute,	3.00
Edward S. Wilson,	1.00
F. H. Morrell,	2.00
Charles Scribner's Sons,	5.00
Cooperative Newspaper Society,	2.25
Charles W. Sever,	5.00
Charles L. Woodward,	38.45
F. W. P. Rogers,	1.00
Academy of Natural Sciences,	5.00
George Barrie,	40.00
J. Homer Bliss,	9.00
F. P. Shunway,	12.00
Metric Bureau,	4.00
J. B. Lippincott & Co.,	4.11
John Hopkins,	2.50

A. C. Armstrong & Sons,	23.00	
D. J. Kane & Brother,	29.00	
Henry C. Nash,	10.00	
Q. F. Collins & Co.,	46.35	
W. E. Woodward,	5.18	
Peter G. Thompson,	17.69	
Q. P. Index,	5.00	
S. T. Congdon,	1.25	
Van Brunt Bergen,	3.20	
E. O. McNair,	3.20	
Patent Office,	31.20	
S. E. Cassino,	2.50	
W. A. Greenough & Co.,	2.00	
J. H. Hathaway, treasurer, (advance for periodicals,)	76.13	\$2,583.45

GEORGE HOWLAND JR. FUND.

1881.

Jan. 1st.	Unexpended balance of income,	\$264.78	
	One year's interest,	96.00	\$360.78
Mar. 31st.	J. W. Bouton's bill,		154.65
			<u>\$206.13</u>

CHARLES W. MORGAN FUND.

1881.

Jan. 1st.	Unexpended balance of income,	\$336.74	
	One year's interest,	60.00	\$396.74
Feb. 28th.	George E. Littlefield's bill,	116.55	
May 31st.	George E. Littlefield,	38.39	
	Charles L. Woodward,	104.63	259.57
			<u>\$137.17</u>

OLIVER CROCKER FUND.

1881.

Jan. 1st.	Unexpended balance of income,	\$124.50	
	One year's interest,	60.00	\$184.50

JAMES B. CONGDON FUND.

1881.

Jan. 1st.	Unexpended balance of income,	\$117.42	
	One year's interest,	30.00	\$147.42

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Total unexpended balances in the control of the Board of Trustees:

1882.

Jan. 1st.	Sylvia Ann Howland Fund,	\$12,385.98
	George Howland Jr. Fund,	206.13
	Charles W. Morgan Fund,	137.17
	Oliver Crocker Fund,	184.50
	James B. Congdon Fund,	147.42
	Dog Fund,	673.67
		\$13,734.87

GEORGE H. DUNBAR,

Clerk of the Board of Trustees.

FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY, Jan. 1st, 1882.

GIFTS, 1881.

	Volumes. Pamphlets.	
Allen, William H.,.....	1	13
Alta California, Publishers of the,.....		1
American Antiquarian Society,.....	1	1
American Philosophical Society,.....	2	
American Unitarian Association,.....	3	
Andover Report, Trustees of Memorial Hall,.....		1
Anonymous,.....		2
Appleton, D. & Co.,.....	1	
Boston City Government,.....	3	
Boston Public Library,		5
Bradlee, C. D.,.....		3
Brookline Public Library,		1
Brownell, T. Frank,.....		1
Buckminster, J.,.....	2	
Bunker Hill Monument Association,	1	
Butler Hospital for Insane,.....		1
Chicago Public Library,.....		2
Children's Hospital, Boston,.....		1
Choate, John C.,.....		1
Cincinnati Young Men's Mercantile Library Assoc.,		1
Clarke Institution for Deaf Mutes,		2
Cleveland Public School Library,		1
Clifford, Charles W.,	1	
Cobden Club,	1	5
Cook, Thomas,.....		1
Crapo, William W.,		4
Crowell, James A.,.....	1	1
Cruran, Rev. J. A.,		1
Cutter, Abram E.,.....	1	21
Dalton, J. G.,.....	1	
Dana, E. A.,.....		1
Denham, Edward,.....	1	

	Volumes. Pamphlets.	
Denison, Charles,	1	
Dennison, T. R.,		2
Dexter, Rev. Henry M.,	11	
Doane College, Crete, Nebraska,		1
Dunbar, George H.,	1	4
Eclectic Medical College, New York,		1
Eddy, Mary B. G.,	2	
Emery, Edwin,		1
Ewer, F. C.,		1
Fall River Public Library,		1
Farrington, William H.,		12
Fletcher Free Public Library, Burlington,		1
Friends' Free Library, Germantown,		1
Gardner, Charles,	Picture.	
General Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen,		2
Gifford, P. A.,	1	
Green, Samuel A.,	1	
Hartford Library Association,		3
Harvard College,		5
Hineks, William B.,		1
Historical Society, Nova Scotia,	1	
Howland, George, Jr.,		3
Hutchinson, S.,		171
James, Thomas M.,	10	
Keen, Eben S.,	1	
Landreth, D. & Sons,		1
Lawrence Public Library,		5
Lawton, James M., Jr.,		1
Lee, Leslie A.,	3	
Leonard, Daniel B.,	1	5
Library Company, Philadelphia,		2
Little, Brown & Co.,		1
Lowell City Library,		2
Lynn Public Library,		1
Massachusetts, State of,	1	
— Library,		2
Mercantile Library Association, New York,		1
Mercury Publishing Company,		9
Morgan, S. Griffitts,	22	
New Bedford Book Club,	18	
New Bedford City Government,	1	
New Jersey Historical Society,	1	
New Jersey State Library,	1	
Newton Free Library,		1

	Volumes. Pamphlets.	
Nye, Gideon,	1	
Paine, Mrs. H. H.,	1	
Paisler, Charles S.,	1	
Paterson, William,	1	
Peabody Institute, Baltimore,		1
Peabody Institute, Peabody,		1
Peirce, Ebenezer W.,		1
Perkins Institution for the Blind,		1
Pope, W. G. E.,	1	
Prescott, Oliver,Map.	2	62
Providence Public Library,		1
Public Library, Swansea, Wales,		1
Ray, F. M.,		1
Record Commissioners, Boston,	4	
Robinson, Mrs. Mary S.,	1	
St. Louis Mercantile Association,		1
St. Louis Public School Library,		2
San Francisco Mercantile Library Association, ...		1
Sherman, William R.,	1	
Smithsonian Institution,	1	
Snow, Charles A.,		29
Springfield City Library Association,		1
State Lunatic Hospital, Northampton,		1
Swift, Humphrey,MS.		
Tallman, William,		1
Taunton Baptist Association,		1
Taunton Public Library,		1
Terry, Isaac,		1
Tucker, B. R.,		1
Underhill, J. W., and Peasler, J. B.,	1	
United States:		
— Bureau of Education,	1	15
— Coast Survey,	1	
— Department of the Interior,Map.	45	5
— Engineer Department,		1
— Patent Office,	4	
— Treasury Department,	4	
— War Department,	4	
Waite, Stephen,	1	
Waterman, William H.,	1	3
Wayland Official Report,		1
Wiles, A. T.,		1
Willecox, David B.,		1
Willey, H.,		4

	Volumes.	Pamphlets.
Wilmington Institute.		1
Wilson, George,.....		14
Woburn Public Library,.....		2
Wodell, Eli,	1	
Wood, John W.,	1	
Worcester Free Institute,.....		1
Worcester Free Public Library,.....		1
Wright, Carroll D.,	1	
Young Men's Association, Buffalo,.....		1

LIST OF PERIODICALS CURRENTLY RECEIVED.

The letters following the titles signify respectively, Y. yearly, $\frac{1}{2}$ Y. half-yearly, Q. quarterly, M. monthly, $\frac{1}{2}$ M. semi-monthly, D. daily, UN. uncertain.

Periodicals marked with an asterisk (*) are not placed upon the table, but can be had on application at the desk.

Academy, The. London.	M.
Academy of Natural Sciences, Philadelphia.	
*— Journal.	UN.
*— Proceedings.	UN.
Advocate of Peace. Boston. (Gift.)	UN.
Alliance News. Manchester, Eng.	W.
*Almanach de Gotha. Gotha.	Y.
American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Boston.	
*— Memoirs.	UN.
*— Proceedings.	$\frac{1}{2}$ Y.
American Agriculturist. New York.	M.
American Almanac. Washington.	Y.
American Annual Cyclopædia. New York.	Y.
American Antiquarian Society, Worcester.	
*— Proceedings. (Gift.)	$\frac{1}{2}$ Y.
*— Transactions and Collections.	UN.
American Architect and Building News. Boston.	W.
American Association for the Advancement of Science.	
— Proceedings. Salem.	Y.
American Chemical Journal. Baltimore.	UN.
American Church Review. New York.	Q.
American Journal of Mathematics. Baltimore.	Q.
American Journal of Philology. Baltimore.	UN.
American Journal of Science and Arts [Silliman's Journal.]	
New Haven.	M.
American Law Review. Boston.	M.
American Naturalist. Philadelphia.	M.
American Philosophical Society, Philadelphia.	
*— Proceedings. (Gift.)	$\frac{1}{2}$ Y.
*— Transactions.	Y.
Annals and Magazine of Natural History. London.	M.

*Annual Register. London.....	Y.
Antiquary, The. London.....	M.
*Art, L'. Paris.....	W.
*Art Journal, The. London.....	M.
Athenæum, The. London.....	W.
Atlantic Monthly. Boston.....	M.
Bibliotheca Sacra. Andover.....	Q.
Blackwood's Edinburgh Magazine. Edinburgh.....	M.
Boston Athenæum, Boston.	
— List of Additions, with Notes.....	UN.
Boston Daily Advertiser. Boston.....	D.
Boston Daily Globe. Boston.....	D.
Boston Evening Journal. Boston.....	D.
Boston Post. Boston.....	D.
Boston Public Library, Boston.	
— Bulletin. (Gift.).....	Q.
Boston Society of Natural History, Boston.	
*— Annual.....	Y.
*— Memoirs.....	UN.
*— Proceedings.....	Q.
*Botanische Zeitung. Leipzig.....	W.
*British Almanac and Companion.....	Y.
British Journal of Photography. London.....	W.
British Quarterly Review. London.....	Q.
Bulletin de la Société d'Acclimatation. Paris. (Gift.).....	M.
Canadian Naturalist and Quarterly Journal of Science. Montreal.	Q.
Catholic World. New York.....	M.
Century Illustrated Monthly Magazine [Scribner's Monthly.]	
New York.....	M.
Chemical News. London.....	W.
Christian Register. Boston. (Gift.).....	W.
Commercial and Financial Chronicle and Hunt's Merchant's	
Magazine. New York.....	W.
Contemporary Review. London.....	M.
Co-operative News. Manchester, Eng.....	W.
Daily Alta California. San Francisco.....	D.
Daily Evening Traveller. Boston.....	D.
Daily Mercury. New Bedford.....	D.
Deutsche Rundschau. Berlin.....	M.
Early English Text Society, London.	
— [Publications.].....	UN.
Edinburgh Review. Edinburgh.....	Q.
*Engineering. London.....	W.
English Catalogue of Books. London.....	Y.
*Entomologische Zeitung. Stettin.....	M.

Essex Institute, Salem, Mass.

*— Bulletin.....	M.
*— Historical Collections.....	UN.
Evening Standard. New Bedford.....	D.
Fall River Evening News. Fall River.....	D.
Fraser's Magazine. London.....	M.
Friend, The. London.....	M.
Friends' Quarterly Examiner. London.....	Q.
Friends' Review. Philadelphia.....	W.
Garden, The. London.....	W.
Gardener's Monthly and Horticulturist.....	M.
Genealogist. London.....	Q.
Granite Monthly. Dover, N. H.....	M.
Hardwicke's Science Gossip. London.....	M.
Harper's New Monthly Magazine. New York.....	M.
Harvard University Bulletin. Cambridge. (Gift.).....	Q.
Historical Magazine. New York.....	M.
* Illustrated London News. London.....	W.
* Index Medicus. New York.....	M.
International Review. New York.....	M.
* Journal für die reine und angewandete Mathematik. Berlin....	UN.
Journal of the Franklin Institute. Philadelphia.....	M.
Journal of the Royal Geographical Society. London.....	Y.
Journal of Social Science. New York.....	UN.
Journal of Speculative Philosophy. New York.....	Q.
Library Journal. New York.....	M.
Literary News. New York.....	M.
Literary World, The. Boston.....	$\frac{1}{2}$ M.
Littell's Living Age. Boston.....	W.
* Livre, Le. Paris.....	M.
Macmillan's Magazine. London.....	M.
Magazine of American History.....	M.
Maine Genealogist and Biographer. Augusta.....	Q.
Maine Historical Society, Portland.	
*— Collections.....	UN.
Manufacturers and Farmers Journal. Providence.....	$\frac{1}{2}$ W.
Massachusetts Historical Society, Boston.	
*— Collections.....	UN.
*— Proceedings.....	UN.
Methodist Quarterly Review. New York.....	Q.
Mind: a Quarterly Review of Psychology and Philosophy. Lond.	Q.
Mining Record. New York.....	W.
* Mittheilungen aus Justus Perthes' Geog. Anstalt. Gotha.....	M.
Monograph, The. Bangor.....	$\frac{1}{2}$ M.
Nation, The. New York.....	W.

National Board of Health Bulletin. Washington.....	W.
Nature. London.....	W.
New Bedford Signal. New Bedford.	W.
New England Historical and Genealogical Register. Boston.....	Q.
New England Journal of Education. Boston.	W.
New Englander. New Haven.	Q.
New Hampshire Historical Society, Concord.	
*— Collections.	UN.
New Jersey Historical Society.	
*— Collections.	UN.
Newport Historical Magazine. Newport.....	Q.
New York Daily Tribune. New York.	D.
New York Genealogical and Biographical Record.....	Q.
New York Historical Society, New York.	
*— Collections.	UN.
New York Times. New York.	D.
Nineteenth Century. London.	M.
North American Review. Boston.....	Q.
Notes and Queries. London.....	W.
Official Gazette of the U. S. Patent Office. Washington.	W.
Our Dumb Animals. Boston.	M.
Peabody Academy of Science, Salem, Mass.	
*— Memoirs.	UN.
Pennsylvania Historical Society, Philadelphia.	
— Memoirs.	UN.
— Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography.	Q.
* Philadelphia Photographer. Philadelphia.	M.
* Photographic Times. New York.....	M.
Popular Science Monthly. New York.	M.
Potter's American Monthly. New York.	M.
Poultry World. Hartford.....	M.
Providence Public Library, Providence.	
— Monthly Reference Lists.	M.
* Publishers' Circular. London.....	$\frac{1}{2}$ M.
Publishers' Trade List Annual. New York.....	Y.
* Publishers' Weekly. [Including American Literary Gazette and Publishers' Circular.] New York.....	W.
Punch. London.	W.
* Quarterly Journal of Microscopical Science. London.	Q.
Quarterly Review. London.	Q.
Ray Society, London.	
— [Publications.].....	UN.
Revue des Deux Mondes. Paris.....	$\frac{1}{2}$ M.
Rhode Island Historical Society, Providence.	
— Collections.....	M.

Royal Society, London.

*— Philosophical Transactions.	Y.
*— Proceedings.	M.
Saturday Review. London.	W.
*Scientific American. New York.	W.
*Scientific American Supplement. New York.	W.
Smithsonian Institution, Washington.	
*— Contributions to Knowledge.	UN.
*— Miscellaneous Collections.	UN.
Spectator. London.	W.
Springfield Republican. Springfield.	D.
Statesman's Year-Book. London.	Y.
Student, The. Haverford.	M.
Times, The, Weekly Edition. London.	W.
*Truebner's American and Oriental Literary Record. London.	M.
Unitarian Review and Religious Magazine. Boston.	M.
United States Postal Guide.	M.
Universalist Quarterly. Boston.	Q.
Van Nostrand's Eclectic Engineering. New York.	M.
Westminster Review. London.	Q.
Whalemen's Shipping List and Merchants' Transcript. N. Bedford.	W.
*Whitaker's Almanac. London.	Y.
Whitaker's Reference Catalogue of Current Literature. London.	UN.
Worcester Society of Antiquity, Worcester.	
*— Collections [inc. Proceedings.]	UN.
Workshop, The. New York.	M.

